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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 4 sheets.

☐ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
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2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,

- ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
- ☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

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6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No.: 2

- ☐ as suggested by the applicant. ☐ None of the figures.
- ☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
- ☒ because this figure better characterizes the invention.

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Box III TEXT OF THE ABSTRACT (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

Disclosed are an optical member (100), a backlight assembly (500) and a liquid crystal display device (800) using the optical member. The optical member (100) includes an optical body (110) and a first fixing part (120). The optical body varies optical characteristic of first light incident into thereto to exit a second light. The first fixing part (120) is protruded from at least one side face of the optical body (110), and including a fixing hole (122) and a vibration attenuating means (124). The fixing hole (122) is elongated in a main expansion direction of the optical body (110), and the vibration attenuating means (124) is formed on an inner of the fixing hole to attenuate external vibration applied to the optical body (110). The fixing hole (122) allows movement of the optical member (100) in accordance with expansion of the optical member (100) caused by heat, thereby preventing wrinkles from being created on the optical body. The vibration attenuating member (124) prevents the optical body from being scratched.

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CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC⁷: G02F 1/13357, 1/1333

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC⁷: G02F

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

☒ See patent family annex.

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